

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2009
6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bostic called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with Allen Shelton, Darrin McGowan, Mike Buckley, Bill Goins, and Cindy Humphrey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson, Mike Selke, WIFE Radio, and Melissa Conrad, *Rushville Republican*.

MINUTES * * * *

Minutes of the April 7, 2009 meeting were presented for approval. Buckley made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * * *

Mayor Bostic reported:

- ❖ Tomorrow at 1:30-3:30 there will be a ribbon cutting and open house for the new tox away site on Smiley Avenue.
- ❖ May 16th will be the Community Day at Riverside Park.
- ❖ Saturday, May 16th at the fairgrounds there will be an open wheel and dirt track racing. WIFE will sponsor a salute to the hall of fame featuring the Vincennes University Midwest TQ's. There will also be a second race on July 25th.
- ❖ Will be meeting with Rural Affairs and ARa tomorrow to gather information for any possible grants for the City.
- ❖ May 9 and May 16 & 17 there will be a road blitz for relay for life teams.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * * *

None.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT * * * *

Goins thanked the Department Heads for completing their inventory sheets and asked Council to review them for the upcoming retreat. He also told Council that there is a conflict with the date of the retreat and it will probably be rescheduled for an evening session.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Fire – Jenkins said they received a grant for 25 smoke detectors. They will be working with the Senior Citizen Center to have those distributed. There is no cost to the City.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * * *

Old State Road 3 – Humphrey passed out a summary of her findings from her survey of the area. She said most residents preferred a 3 way stop at French's Insurance. They thought this would help with the traffic, speed, and the semis. After discussion Humphrey made a motion to amend the traffic control ordinance to place a 3 way stop at the intersection of Old State Road 3 South and Hunt Road, also at each entrance of the City to place signs not to use exhaust brakes in the City. The use of exhaust brakes would result in a class "C" infraction. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

BBR Vision CF-1 – Goins made a motion to approve the CF-1 for BBR Vision. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried with Humphrey voting "nay".

Hiring Police Officer Update – Cameron said that Michael Ervine did not pass his physical exam. The Board of Works approved the hiring of Brent Horton contingent upon approval of Perf.

Officer Todd Click reviewed the process they go through to hire officers:

1. Application deadline
2. Written test & agility test
3. Formal interviews
4. Background checks
5. 4 top candidates interviewed by Chief & Asst. Chief
6. Offer a conditional offer of employment

Recommendation from Park Board Regarding Amphitheater – The Park Board gave a recommendation to Council to approve serving alcohol at the summer concerts this year. Shelton made a motion to approve the serving of alcohol at the summer concerts this year and will revisit the issue next year. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried with Buckley voting "nay".

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

Unsafe Building – Jenkins informed Council of property located at 223 N Main Street formerly Doug's Flowers. The building is unsafe and needs to be demolished. He has received the following proposals:

Demolition by hand -	\$24,500.00
Asbestos removal -	\$ 5,175.00
Move Main Street light box-	\$ 2,650.00

Jenkins said they will be making the last payment on the fire truck in June and there will be approximately \$13,000.00 - \$14,000.00 left in that line item that could be used towards the demolition. Goins made a motion to proceed with the demolition using the remaining funds from the fire truck appropriation and to take the remaining monies from surplus Edit funds. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Edit Funding – There was discussion regarding the use of the Edit tax that will expire from the hospital bonds. Goins suggested the City's Edit funds now being used for the hospital be distributed with 50% for the North Industrial Park, 40% for City Utilities sewer improvements, and 10% for 16th Street project.

Buckley suggested 50% for the Industrial Park and 50% for the utilities.

McGowan said 50% for the Industrial Park and 50% for 16th Street.

Humphrey suggested 50% for the Industrial Park, but would like to see more used for 16th Street and if we find out we don't need all of that then to use the 16th Street portion for the Utilities.

Goins made a motion to use the Edit funds now being used for the hospital to be distributed with 50% for the North Industrial Park, 40% for City Utilities sewer improvements, and 10% for 16th Street project. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-2. Humphrey and McGowan voted "nay".

Claims – Shelton made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried with Buckley abstaining from voting on the claims regarding his salary.

There was no further business to come before Council; Buckley made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

MERVYN R. BOSTIC, MAYOR

ALLEN W. SHELTON, MEMBER

DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

MICHAEL BUCKLEY, MEMBER

WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER

CINDRA K. HUMPHREY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER